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TAGS: ETRN IZ

SUBJ: PIPELINE TO PERSIAN GULF

1. DUTCH CHARGE TOLD ME APR 6 THAT HIS EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED TENDER FROM INOC FOR CONSTRUCTION OF GAS PIPELINE AND 40 INCH OIL PIPELINE FROM HADITHA TO WITHIN 9 KILOMETERS OF FAO. HE DID NOT GIVE ME ANY OTHER SPECIFICS. TENDER ALLOWED ONLY UNTIL MAY 15 FOR RESPONSE, WHICH MADE HIM BELIEVE CONTRACT ALREADY SIGNED WITH SOME FIRM.

2. DESPITE QUESTIONABLE ECONOMICS OF NORTH- SOUTH PIPELINE IT SOUNDS AS IF GOI PLANNING TO GO AHEAD IN ORDER TO GUARANTEE THAT IT WILL NOT AGAIN BE BLACKMAILED BY SYRIAN ON TRANSIT FEES. FACT THAT LEBANON THWARTED GOI EFFORT TO GAIN CONTROL OF FACILITIES THERE. MAY ALSO BE FACTOR FAVORING N- S PIPELINE.

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3. BEST GUESS AS TO WHO MIGHT BUILD PIPELINE IS FRENCH WHO
WERE KNOWN TO HAVE OFFERED GOF GUARANTEED FINANCING FOR THIS
PROJECT AS PART OF OVERALL IPC SETTLEMENT, AND ITALIANS, SINCE
ENI TEN YEAR PURCHASE CONTRACT IS TO BE PAID FOR WITH ITALIAN
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